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One of the many arguments for abortion is the burden, cost and hardship of caring for these unwanted, poor, fatherless children if they are given life. If that reason for abortion was embraced by our new president's mother, she would not have given birth to our first Black President.

In the work I have done through the A Ray of Hope, a shelter for the homeless, I have heard the heartache of many women who had an abortions. I have seen women who made the hard choice to give the baby life. What about the baby that was destroyed in abortion that could possibly have been the one who found the cure for cancer. I know God gave His Son that forgives abortion like he does all sin, but first we have to admit it is sin to take a life of one totally defenseless, who cannot speak for himself. Where in all the yelling for women rights is the baby's rights thought of.

Last Sunday, February 15, 2009 was the 189th anniversary of the birthday of Susan B. Anthony. Opponents of the rights of the unborn want to hide the fact that the early women's rights advocates were staunchly pro-life. The following is a quote from Susan B Anthony dated 1869.

*"Guilty? Yes. No matter what the motive, love of ease, or a desire to save from suffering the unborn innocent, the woman is awfully guilty who commits the deed. It will burden her conscience in life, it will burden her soul in death; but oh, thrice guilty is he who...drove her to the desperation which impelled her to the crime!"*

Feminists knew this truth then, and our expansive technology and knowledge since then has not changed the truth of what she said. In fact, we know more now, the truth about the unborn child and of what abortion does to baby and mother. I know that to be pro-woman is to be prolife; I also know that unborn child is a person!